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OTHER DOCUMENTS *(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

	1	DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A SOFTWARE PROTOTYPE FOR STORAGE AREA NETWORK PROTOCOL EVALUATION Ashish Palekar, Anshul Chadda, Narendran Ganapathy, Robert Russell August 21-24, 2001 page 661 to 666
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